

“What’s True?”
HOW DO I KNOW WHAT’S TRUE?
Reframing Your Worldview Part 2
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John 8:31-36

Jesus: “The truth will set you free.” John 8:32 (NIV)

I. SIGNS OF “TRUTH DECAY” IN A CULTURE

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“(Let us) no longer be like children, forever changing our minds about what we believe because someone has told us something different or has cleverly lied to us and made the lie sound like truth.” Eph. 4:14 (NLT)
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“They don't care anymore about right and wrong, and they have given themselves over to immoral ways. Their lives are filled with all kinds of impurity and greed.” Eph. 4:19 (NLT)
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“Since they refuse to trust truth, they're banished to their chosen world of lies and illusions.” 2 Thes. 2:12 (Mes)
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“Where there is ignorance of God, crime runs wild.” Pr. 29:18 (LB)
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“Instead of believing what they knew was the truth about God, they deliberately chose to believe lies. They worshipped the things God made but not the Creator Himself.” Rom. 1:25 (NLT)
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“Our courts oppose people who are righteous, and justice is nowhere to be found. Truth falls dead in the streets, and fairness has been outlawed.” Isaiah 59:14 (NLT)

II. HOW DO I KNOW WHAT’S TRUE?

John 7:17 *“If anyone chooses to do God’s will he will find out whether or not My teaching comes from God.”*

1. THROUGH _____

“For the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – His eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.” Rom 1:20 (NIV)

“The basic reality of God is plain enough. Open your eyes and there it is!”

Rom. 1:19 (Mes)

2. THROUGH _____

“Some people naturally obey God’s commands, even though they don’t have the Law. This proves that the conscience is like a law written in the human heart. And it will show whether we are forgiven or condemned.” Rom. 2:14-15 (CEV)

“The Lord gave us mind and conscience; we cannot hide from ourselves.”

Prov. 20:27 (TEV)

3. THROUGH _____

“Anyone who examines this evidence will come to stake his life on this: that God Himself is the truth.” John 3:33 (Mes)

4. THROUGH GOD’S _____

“All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right.”
2 Tim. 3:16 (NLT)

5. THROUGH _____

“I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.” John 14:6 (NIV)

“Those who believe Him discover that God is true.” John 3:33 (NT)

WHAT TO DO WITH THE TRUTH

- _____ Col. 1:23 (NLT)
- _____ Phil. 3:16 (NLT)
- _____ 2 Cor. 13:8 (NLT)
- _____ 3 John 1:8 (GW)

“Let everything you do reflect your love of the truth and the fact that you are in dead earnest about it.” Titus 2:7b (LB)